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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT AND REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Examiner's Amendment

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Frank Reid on September 14, 2004.

The application has been amended as follows:

Claims 10-17 have been canceled.

Reasons for Allowance

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The primary reason for allowance is that the prior art of record does not disclose or suggest a process as claimed in which the position of the separation means is adjusted to increase or decrease catalyst holdup within the reaction zone while maintaining a substantially constant catalyst circulation rate through the reaction zone. The closest prior art to Evans does not that the catalyst holdup is increased or decreased.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue

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fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Walter D. Griffin whose telephone number is (571) 272-1447. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday 6:30 to 4:00 with alternate Fridays off.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Glenn Caldarola can be reached on (571) 272-1444. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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Walter D. Griffin Primary Examiner Art Unit 1764

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